

**STATE OF RHODE ISLAND
PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION**

IN RE: PROVIDENCE WATER SUPPLY BOARD'S COMPLIANCE FILING FOR
SECOND STEP RATE INCREASE - DOCKET NO. 4994

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

Pursuant to R.I. Gen. Laws §39-3-11 and §39-15.1-4, the Public Utilities Commission (PUC) is conducting a hearing on **Tuesday, June 22, 2021 at 1:00 P.M.** at the PUC's office, Hearing Room A, 89 Jefferson Boulevard, Warwick, Rhode Island. The hearing may continue thereafter from time to time as required. The hearing will be streamed live at <https://video.ibm.com/channel/WqQyXw296dg>.

In this docket, the PUC will examine the propriety of the Providence Water Supply Board's Compliance Filing to implement the second step rate increase pursuant to a multi-year rate plan approved by the PUC in Order No. 23928. In the second step of the rate plan, Providence Water seeks approval of rates designed to collect an additional \$4,310,146 in revenue to support Providence Water's total cost of service of \$89,309,453 for effect July 1, 2021. If approved, the impact on a residential customer with an annual consumption of 100 HCF will be an increase of \$2.21 per month, or 5.5%, from \$40.51 to \$42.72. For Providence residents, the Fire Protection Service Charge for a 5/8" meter will also increase by \$.10 per month. The rate impact on other retail, wholesale, and fire service customers will vary based on customer class and consumption levels.

The filing may be examined at the PUC's office. The filing can also be accessed at <http://www.ripuc.ri.gov/eventsactions/docket/4994page.html>. Reference is made to R.I. Gen. Laws §§ 39-1, 39-3 and 42-35.

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Luly E. Massaro, Commission Clerk
June 18, 2021